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SUBJECT: OUTLINE OF EXPERT WORKING GROUP REPORT ON SOVIET UNION
AND EASTERN EUROPE

1. CHAIRMAN OF EXPERT GROUP HAS CIRCULATED THE FOLLOWING
SUGGESTED OUTLINE FOR THE REPORT ON THE SOVIET UNION AND EASTERN
EUROPE WHICH THE EXPERT WORKING GROUP WILL PREPARE HERE
NOVEMBER 5-8. CHAIRMAN ASKS THAT THE NATIONAL CONTRIBUTIONS
ADDRESS POINTS SUGGESTED IN THE OUTLINE'S MAIN HEADINGS
AND THAT CONTRIBUTIONS REACH NATO BY OCTOBER 22. DEPARTMENT SHOULD
ACCORDINGLY POUCH U.S. CONTRIBUTION TO USNATO NO LATER THAN
OCTOBER 12.

2. BEGIN TEXT OF OUTLINE:

I. SOVIET INTERNAL POLICY

A. THE BALANCE OF FORCES WITHIN THE LEADERSHIP.
MR. BREZHNEV'S PERSONAL POSITION.

B. THE GOVERNMENT AND THE DISSIDENTS; POLICY TOWARDS
JEWISH EMIGRATION.

C. ECONOMIC PROBLEMS:

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- THE 1974 HARVEST

- RISE IN RAW MATERIAL PRICES AND THE PROSPECTS
FOR DEVELOPING SIBERIAN MINERAL RESOURCES.

II. SOVIET EXTERNAL POLICY

A. EFFECTS OF THE IMPROVEMENT IN THE SOVIET UNION'S
BALANCE OF PAYMENTS ON ITS RELATION WITH THE
WESTERN COUNTRIES AND THE WARSAW PACT COUNTRIES.

B. EAST-WEST RELATIONS:

- CSCE AND MBFR;

- SOVIET UNION AND UNITED STATES;

- SOVIET UNION AND WESTERN EUROPE (ATTITUDE
OF THE SOCIALIST COUNTRIES TO EUROPEAN
INTEGRATION);

C. SOVIET UNION AND EASTERN EUROPE:

- IDEOLOGICAL CO-OPERATION AND INTER-PARTY
RELATIONS;

- PROSPECTS FOR WORLD CONFERENCE OF
COMMUNIST AND WORKERS' PARTIES;

- PROSPECTS FOR A CONFERENCE OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNIST
PARTIES.

D. SOVIET POLICY IN THE MIDDLE EAST:

- THE SOVIET UNION AND THE ARAB-ISRAELI CONFLICT;

- THE SOVIET UNION AND THE PALESTINIANS;

- THE REOPENING OF THE SUEZ CANAL AND THE SOVIET
NAVAL PRESENCE IN THE MEDITERRANEAN AND THE
INDIAN OCEAN.
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E. SOVIET POLICY IN ASIA:

- RELATION WITH CHINA;

- RELATIONS WITH JAPAN;

- SOVIET STRATEGY IN THE INDIAN SUB-CONTINENT;

- PROPOSED COLLECTIVE SECURITY SYSTEM IN ASIA.

III. THE SITUATION IN EASTERN EUROPE

A. THE SITUATION IN THE GDR. ACCESS TO BERLIN AND THE

LEGAL CONNECTION BETWEEN THE FRG AND WEST BERLIN.

B. RUMANIA AND THE WARSAW PACT. MILITARY TRANSIT
THROUGH RUMANIA TO BULGARIA AND SOVIET BALKAN
POLICY.

C. YUGOSLAVIA- EFFECTS OF THE RISE IN THE COSTS OF
RAW MATERIALS AND ENERGY ON THE ECONOMIC SITUATION.

END TEXT OF OUTLINE

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